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Re: Docket No. GMCB-010-15con, Proposed Ambulatory Surgery Center.

Dear Eileen:

Thank you for your response to questions to date. The information requested below is needed to complete our review. Please respond to the following:

- 1. Based on your response to question 18 of your submission dated January 25, 2017, the start-up period is 13 months with an AAAHC or Joint Commission survey occurring in month 13. Please clarify the timeline for start-up and the timeline for Year 1 with specific months/dates. Confirm the number of FTEs on staff during each month in the 13-month start-up period and in Year 1. Confirm that the revenues/expenses for Year 1 reflected in all the financial tables submitted with the application are for the first full year of operation and not for the 13-month start-up period.
- 2. It is not clear from the original application that there was consideration for development of the standard operating procedures (SOPs) for the Joint Commission or AAAH. Does Table 1, Project Cost page 90 of the pdf in the original application include the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) development in the "Other" line item for \$801,298? Please explain.
- 3. In response to question 8 of your responses to Q007 regarding data migration, the current plan appears to not provide data migration of operating physicians EMRs at this time. Is there any data migration strategy? If so, please explain as your responses refer to "limited conversions."
- 4. Please clarify for the Dominion Tech Quote #BC-20102037 v1, that the Monthly IT Support Services, "DominionCare Complete", includes 24/7 coverage for all service and support including travel expenses.
- 5. Relative to your response to questions dated January 27, 2017, in question 1, please clarify what non-custom interfaces come with AmkaiSolutions EMR. Explain in detail whether laboratories, pharmacies and imaging services interfaces with both internal and external interoperability are included.



- 6. Relative to your response to question 1 dated January 27, 2017, please clarify whether visit reports for external patient information will be in a pdf format as your standard operating procedure. Explain what your standard operating procedure for sharing information with external sites will be for radiology film, laboratory reports, and pharmacy orders. Explain how this meets the requirements for interoperability.
- 7. Please confirm whether the solution (EMR and interoperability standards) represented in the application and interrogatories meet the requirements of VITL.
- 8. In reviewing references made in the response to questions dated January 27, 2017 to line items on page 31 of the application, GMSC referred to Table 10, titled *Income Statement* and specifically to Administrative and Equipment Expense line items to address costs for other third party software, equipment, professional services and other costs. Please provide a complete breakdown of all costs associated with all line items in the Income Statement.
- 9. Clarify whether GMSC has or will put out for bid any of contracts for services including accreditation to confirm best value. If no, please explain why.
- 10. Explain whether all currently known physician-investors plan to practice at GMSC.

In responding, restate the question in bold font and respond in unbolded font. Send the original and two hard copies (three-hole punch one hard copy) with a Verification Under Oath to my attention at the Green Mountain Care Board, 89 Main Street, Montpelier, Vermont 05620, and an electronic copy to me at donna.jerry@vermont.gov.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 802-828-2918.

Sincerely,

<u>s/ Donna Jerry</u>Donna JerrySenior Health Policy Analyst

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